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THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

In re Application of: Hajime AGA et al.

For: REDUCTION INHIBITORY AGENT...

Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an [ ] Amendment [XX] AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL \_in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. RECEIVED

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A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim +130					+130	\$	+260	\$
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- Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[ ] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

Small Entity Response Filed Within

[ ] First - \$ 55.00

Second - \$190.00 [ ] [ ] Third - \$435.00

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Fourth - \$1360.00 [ ]

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[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR Section 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR Section 1.18.

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AGENT FOR ACTIVE-OXYGEN

ELIMINATING ACTIVITY

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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action of April 10, 2000, please enter the following amendment:

## In the Claims:

Please rewrite claim 5 in fourth amended form as follows:

decrease of naturally occurring active-oxygen-eliminating activity in a plant when the plant is sliced, disrupted, or an edible part of the plant is disrupted, which comprises a step of

incorporating, in an aqueous system, an inhibitory agent into [a] <u>said</u> plant [substance] which is in a juicy form of a sliced, disrupted or extracted plant-edible-part and has an active-oxygen-eliminating activity, said inhibitory agent comprising an amount effective of trehalose for said inhibition.

Please amend claims 6 and 9 as follows.

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